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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: <u>APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING</u>.

Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, LISBON FIELD, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

WILL-DRILL PRODUCTION CO., INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Lisbon Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A.
- 2. To create three (3) drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, such units being designated U HA RA SUA, U HA RA SUB and U HA RA SUC, and being shown on the attached plat.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed units with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To designate Will-Drill Production Co., Inc., as Operator of, and its Mitcham Heirs No. 1 Well as the unit well for, U HA RA SUA.
- 5. To designate Will-Drill Production Co., Inc., as Operator of, and the Thompson No. 1 Well as the unit well for, U HA RA SUB.
- 6. To provide that future wells drilled to the Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, within or outside of the proposed units be located not less than 660' to any unit boundary and not less than 2,000 feet to any other well completed in, drilling to, or for which a permit shall have been granted to drill to the Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A.
- 7. To define the Upper Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the depths of 9,650' and 10,150' (electrical log measurements) in the Will-Drill Production Co., Inc. (formerly Hassie Hunt Trust)--Mitcham Heirs No. 1 Well located in the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 27, Township 22 North, Range 4 West, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.

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8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Will-Drill Production Co., Inc., 416 Travis Street, Suite 1200, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Daryl Fultz at (318) 222-7464 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

By letter dated August 15, 2003, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and a preapplication conference with respect to Applicant's proposals was tentatively scheduled for September 10, 2003. No request for the pre-application conference was received; therefore, no conference was held.

Attached hereto is a plat outlining Applicant's proposed units, which plat is identical to the plat attached to the pre-application notice except that the field name has been revised from Northeast Lisbon to Lisbon. Also attached hereto is a list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list is being forwarded only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation. A copy of the list will be furnished by the undersigned to any party so requesting. A reasonable effort was made to obtain a complete list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Lisbon Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

David L. Smelley

Yøurs very truly.

Attorney for Will-Drill Production Co., Inc.

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)

Mr. Daryl Fultz (w/encls.)
Mr. Kem Hargrove (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties
(w/copy of unit plat only)

